



EXPEDITED RULE MAKING

CR-105 (June 2004)
(Implements RCW 34.05.353)
EXPEDITED RULE MAKING ONLY

Agency: Agriculture

Title of rule and other identifying information: (Describe Subject) Chapter 16-157 WAC

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Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules:

The US National Organic Program was amended in October 2008. The current WAC 16-157-020 adopts the September 11, 2006 version of the National Organic Program and needs to be updated. The proposal would adopt the most current version of the National Organic Program dated October 9, 2008.

Reasons supporting proposal: The current version of the National Organic Program needs to be adopted so that Washington producers and handlers are complying with the current version of the National Organic Program and so that the Washington State Department of Agriculture can maintain its accreditation with the National Organic Program.

Statutory authority for adoption: Chapter 15.86 RCW

Statute being implemented: Chapter 15.86 RCW

Is rule necessary because of a:

Federal Law?

☒ Yes

☐ No

Federal Court Decision?

☐ Yes

☒ No

State Court Decision?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If yes, CITATION:

DATE

May 11, 2009

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☐ Governmental

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